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 HETEROGENEOUS CATALYST COMPONENTS)
 FOR OLEFINS POLYMERIZATION")

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, it is respectfully requested that the following amendments be made to the claims:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 4, line 1 Please change "claims 1-2" to --claim 1--
 Claim 5, line 1 Please change "claims 1-3" to --claim 1--
 Claim 7, line 1 Please change "claims 1-6" to --claim 6--
 Claim 8, line 2 Please change "claims 1-7" to --claim 6--

Please add the following new claims

- 10. Heterogeneous catalytic component according to claim 1 wherein in the metallocene compound at least one L is a fluorenyl or octahydrofluorenyl ring.
11. Heterogeneous catalytic system comprising the heterogeneous catalytic component of claim 1 and a cocatalyst selected from the group consisting of: alkylaluminum, trialkylaluminum, Lewis acid and mixtures thereof.
12. Process for the polymerization of alpha olefins in slurry, in gas phase, in bulk or in solution characterized by the use of the catalyst of claim 11.--

REMARKS

Amendment of the subject application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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